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JIAN ZHOU et al.)	
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Improved PC Audio Quality)	
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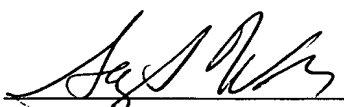
Sir:

Enclosed is an Amendment in response to the office action
mailed on October 2, 2002.

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge all
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Dear Sir:

The enclosed Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2002, for the above identified patent application. The response due date is January 2, 2003.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Marked up versions of all revised paragraphs, showing insertions and deletions, are included in Appendix A.

Replace the paragraph at page 5 line 28 with the following text:

Still referring to Figure 3, speaker 24 enables computer system 20 to play music CDs and to provide game sound effects. There are a number of commercially available speakers for personal computers, including, for example, the LCS-150 produced by LABTAC of Vancouver, Washington, and the SB-881A produced by Pontech of Taiwan. Alternatively, speaker 24 may be a USB speaker, able to identify its type to system 20. (In which case, bus 44 will be a USB.) Each commercially available speaker has a different frequency response; however, none of them produces the sound quality most consumers have come to expect. Audio system 22 improves the perceived sound